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BONUSING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR GAMING SYSTEM PROVIDING FLEXIBILITY AND INTEREST

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ENCLOSURE:

Copies of Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filing Date Granted dated 11/6/2000 and 1/25/2001, Declaration, Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address, transmittal cover letters dated 1/5/2001 and 2/9/2001 and related filing receipt postcards.

MESSAGE:

Enclosed are copies of the above-referenced papers we filed in response to the Notice to File Missing parts. Please note the new correspondence address in the Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address. We exchanged voicemails and you noted that the correct correspondence address was not in the file.

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- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
 Applicant must submit \$ 690 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
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Filed: September 12, 2000 Serial No. 09/659.954

Sir:

Transmitted for filing herewith are the basic filing fee (for \$690), additional fees for claims in excess of 20 (for \$54), additional fee for independent claims over 3 (for \$78), and an executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address in response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application Filing Date Granted dated January 25, 2001 (copy enclosed), together with our check in the amount of \$822.00.

Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1351.

Sincerely yours.

George H. Gerstman

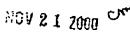
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International Game Technology

Matter No. 3735-932 Patent Application for:

GAMING APPARATUS AND METHOD WITH OPERATOR-CONFIGURABLE PAYTABLES

Filed: September 12, 2000 Serial No. 09/659,955

Sir:

Transmitted for filing herewith are an executed Declaration, Power of Attorney and Correspondence Address in response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated November 6, 2000 (copy enclosed), together with our check in the amount of \$130.

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DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY AND CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS

As below named inventors, we hereby declare that:

Our residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to our names.

We believe we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention described and claimed in the above-captioned application.

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the above captioned application, including the claims.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of the claims in this application in accordance with 37 CFR §1.56(a).

We appoint Seyfarth Shaw, and each and every member and associate thereof and patent agent therein, including Harold V. Stotland (Reg. No. 24,492), J. Terry Stratman (Reg. No. 25,165), Alan L. Unikel (Reg. No. 24,142), George H. Gerstman (Reg. No. 22,419), Garrettson Ellis (Reg. No. 22,792), William J. Hallihan (Reg. No. 39,210) and Jonar J. Tolentino (Reg. No. 46,184), as automeys, with full power of substitution and revocation to prosecute this application, to make alterations and amendments therein, to receive the patent, and to transact all business in

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Respectfully submitted,

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